The Message of This Easter Day.

Rev.1:18 "I was dead, and, behold, I am alive forevermore."

INTRO:A.The origin of the term "Easter".
Pope Gregory the Great: sent St.Austin and 40 monks to the island of the Angles, saying,"By the grace of God they shall be angels".
The name of their goddess of springtime, Eostre, was given to their celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

B.The futility of trying to prove the resurrection.
A matter of Xn experience.

C. Every age since the time of Christ has furnished ample evidence of the continued aliveness of Jesus Christ.
What indications are there now that the power of the Living Savior obtains in the world?

I. Our Easter.

2. The influende of Jesus on the life of the world today surpasses the first Easter miracle.
An omnipresent energy, an all-pervasive vitality is renewing and reconstructing the moral and intellectual life of every race and nation on earth. There is a universal bursting forth of spiritual impulses, like the coming of spring,in all parts of the earth, causing the heart of mankind to beat with new aspiration and hope. The same reviving processes are going on in both the Orient and Occident.

2.Emancipation is rapidly taking place. Mankind is surecoming to liberty and to light. The darkest land now covets the opportunities of the brightest. The railroad, telegraph, telephone, electric light, are bringing about a radical transformation--the abandoning of old superstitions, the surrender of old ideals, the changing of old habits and customs, in order to give place to the new truth, the new ideal the new life.

3. The growing intelligence and more thoro searchings of the nations is tracing this regenerating power to its rightful source--in the spiritual potence of Jesus. The spiritual phenomena of Xty lift the risen Christ above the realm of doubt and controversy. The energy that is now at work in every land and amongst all peoples is the same, essential energy that animated the personality of Jesus thru all his teachings and in all his actions. It reaches its height in Jesus' giving of His live that the world of humanity might have life more abundantly. As sacrificial love, as the principle of brotherhood Sesus Christ is exercising a greater influence in the world than ever before

This is our Easter's message to us: shall we not identify ourselves with Jesus' Resureection life?

Jesus always thot in terms of immortality.
He thot of himself as an immortal being.
He thot of his fellows as fellow-immortals.

Jesus always thot of the present in the light of the eternal.